

REMARKS

Applicants have amended the specification to provide numbered paragraphs and information with respect to priority claimed on the basis of European Patent Application No. 00403156.3, filed November 13, 2000. No new matter has been added. Accordingly, entry of the amendment is respectfully requested.

If there are any charges in connection with this requested amendment, the Examiner is authorized to charge applicant's Deposit Account No. 12-1095 therefor.

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